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Sir:

~~Please amend the subject Patent Application before examination, as follows:~~

In the Specification:

~~Please replace~~ the paragraph beginning at page 17, line 3, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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~~→~~NAP 16, as mentioned hereinabove, has access to user information database 22. User information database 22 is a database external to the invention and may be any known data collection or database system known in the art. It may provide enhanced user information, for example, personal details related to a given user ID, billing information, technical details, information about past logins, or customer care cases. In addition, the system may also have access to a user information database 22 known as a reverse telephone directory. A reverse telephone directory may associate a given telephone number with information about its owner and its location. User information database 22 may be used in identifying user 10.~~→~~